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Greece has concluded that it is time to get in on the divvy.

Our soldiers are being sent home from the border without having "got" Villa, thanks to Wilson.

A new dance has been introduced, called the "Woodrow Wilson." It is one step forward, two steps back, hesitating and side step.

Mr. Wilson was opposed to women's suffrage until Mr. Hughes declared himself for it. Then Mr. Wilson shuffled and said, "me too."

The bartenders of New York are now threatening to go on a strike. This will surely bring an extra session of our Democratic Congress.

Gardner's land bank law appears to have no real purpose except to enable the Missouri Democracy to cash in at the pie counter for another four years.

The Democrats say that the Wilson administration raised the price of everything, therefore, if you don't like the high cost of your living you will know who to hold responsible.

President Wilson is so touchy on the point of his pro-British sensitiveness that he wants no "traitorous votes" from those who touch him on this tender spot. Don't worry about that, Woodrow, they aren't thinking of voting for you.

In the recent primary election in New Jersey, President Wilson's own state, the Republican vote was nearly two to one to that cast by the Democrats. The lack of interest in Democratic politics this year for a change, frost for that party on November 7th.

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"This Congressional body should be represented by a publican, and that party is offering a candidate, Congressman Marion E. Rhoads, who is a publican fitted for the job. If you would mean that the people of the district will have a champion of home interests when Europe is again in a position to enter into competition with us for our home markets. Every tariff and lead mine has a personal interest in the exclusion of this competition. Congressman Hensley does not represent the principle of protection, even though he may endorse the stolen idea of a tariff commission, now advanced by the Democrats to fool protectionists into supporting the Democratic ticket. Mr. Rhoads stands for the protection of home industries without any frills and vague promises. Let every Republican stand by him on this issue. He has further earned the support of all the people by his interference in their behalf against the advance in railroad freight and passenger rates in Missouri last winter. He has shown himself to be a sincere and energetic worker for public welfare, and it is through such men that public welfare is best guarded and promoted. He is the man to send to Congress.

One of the most contemptible insinuations of the Democratic press in this campaign is that Mr. Hughes is close to the Wall Street gang. They are doubtless making this pretense to distract public attention from the fact that Mr. Wilson is now and has throughout his administration taken his orders not only from Wall Street, but also from Sir Spring Rice, the British Ambassador at Washington. Sir Spring Rice is on terms of closest intimacy with J. P. Morgan, the directing spirit of Wall Street's financial operations. When England wants a war loan, Sir Spring Rice and Morgan see the President as the first step, to insure themselves that there will be no legislative interference with their operations. They make this a demand not a request. As a result of this British Wall Street combine influencing our government, the United States has written into its history the most shameful record of its whole existence as a nation—a prosperity built upon the death of countless thousands of human beings. All the big Wall Street operators have made profits running into hundreds of millions of dollars, either from financing the loans of the Allied powers or through their connection with the munition's manufacturers. There is no guess work about this, the facts are known to all who keep posted on current events through the news columns of the daily papers.

Our friend Bro. Ake, of the Ironton Register, makes adherence to President Wilson the measure in which true Americanism is tested; all others are alien in thought, if not actually traitorous in deed. In this light we must verily appear renegade to Bro. Ake, but his same conclusion to find out in good and numerous company in that respect. There is a list of us that we are not "betraying" by Wilson. In fact, we have a long list of names who have signed a pledge to be found in the Ironton Register. May we say it is a list of men who have signed a pledge to be found in the Ironton Register. May we say it is a list of men who have signed a pledge to be found in the Ironton Register.

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## Reed Admits War Brought Prosperity.

United States Senator James A. Reed in one of his speeches opening the Democratic campaign in this county at Flat River Monday admitted Republican argument when he told his audience of the great prosperity this country had reaped as the result of the sales of munitions of war and war supplies to the European countries. At the height of one of his oratorical flights the Junior Senator said we wouldn't have had this great prosperity had we had a "fool" in the Presidency who would have refused to sell to the warring nations. To bring it more directly home to the miners whom he was addressing he said, "you wouldn't have had this great market for your lead" and continuing said "we wouldn't have sold the mules that are now pulling the cannon on the field of battle, and we wouldn't have had the market for

## HUGHES OR WILSON? ROOSEVELT'S ANSWER.

"Against Mr. Wilson's combination of greed, inaction, with fidelity in action against his record, and, or betrayed by deeds, we see Mr. Hughes' rugged and uncompromising straightforwardness of character and action in every office he has held. We see a man who thinks and speaks directly, and whose words are always backed by deeds, against the man whose words are always in concealment of his plans and selfish aims. The next four years may well be years of national strain. Which of the two men to vote the American people, when at the helm during these four years; the man who has actually been president and wanting, or the man whose whole career in public office is a guarantee of his power and good faith? But one answer is possible; and it must be given by the American people through the election of Charles Evans Hughes as President of these United States."—ROOSEVELT.

The large quantity of shoes that go on the feet of men who are now filling the trenches. In justice to the Senator, however, we will say that he did not make these startling admissions for the purpose of supporting Republican contentions, for he is known the distinguished Senator was delivering a strictly Democratic discourse. He made these sweeping references to the pro-party derived from the war business in a campaign speech and at that particular time was trying to prove his point that President Wilson had been a failure.

Senator James A. Reed is going over the state in the course of his candidacy for re-election, to call on the people of Missouri to "stand by President Wilson." This is enough to show the whole state into a fit of derisive laughter. Only a year or so ago the Reed was in open rebellion against the president. He fought Wilson's program of peace and bitterly opposed his appointment. This was due, in part, to the fact that the president was called on to disregard Reed's wishes in some of his Missouri appointments because of the character, fitness and factional connections of the man Reed feared. In retaliation, the junior Missouri senator hated and detested the president's appointments, not only for these offices but others, and by means of the mysterious funds of "senatorial courtesy" defeated some of them, including the post of "Silver Dick" Head.

## The Rockless Colonel.

In his opening speech at Chillicothe, when he was making a campaign speech, the junior senator made a statement that was a complete lie. He said that the Democrats found a bonded debt of \$21,768,000. Therefore, according to this high Democratic authority, Col. Gardner's misrepresentation in his Chillicothe speech amounted to a little less than 100 per cent, in this one matter of the amount of state debt the Democratic party "inherited" from the Republicans in 1873.

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We serve notice on Col. Gardner that he is not going to be permitted to distort history in furtherance of his candidacy. Col. Gardner says the Major administration hasn't been so extravagant. That settles it; the Col. isn't fit to be governor, he would only give us a little more of the same.

## SENATOR REED'S FALSE CAMPAIGN CRY

Wants the Missouri People to Stand by the President When He Didn't Do So Himself in the Senate.

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## Foreigners Now Own 20 Million Acres of U. S. Land.

There are now 20,647,000 acres of land in the United States owned by 20 foreign landlords and foreign syndicates. The amount of land thus owned is as large as Ireland. One Irish landlord is said to draw \$400,000 annual income from rents from his estate in Illinois. One Englishman in London owns 700,000 acres of American land. The census of 1900 showed that there were 1,024,001 tenant farmers in the United States and our American "peasantry" probably outnumbered that of Great Britain and Ireland combined. There are in Ireland today only 37,000 tenant buildings; in England and Wales together but 414,804; and in Scotland 84,101. The State of Illinois alone has 20,000 more land tenants than Scotland. France has 5,000,000 small rural proprietors and 2,000,000 large proprietors and owners of real estate in towns. Altogether, the number of landed proprietors in the United States is not quite 3,000,000, and yet we have a greater population than France by 60,000,000, and many times as much land as that country. When Mr. Hughes was nominated the Wilson papers said he was the Kaiser's candidate, but now they have switched around and are proclaiming that Hughes' election would bring war with Germany. The liars!

## REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For President, CHARLES E. HUGHES. For Vice-President, CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS.

For Senator in Congress, WALTER D. DICKINSON. For Governor, HENRY D. MOORE. For Lieutenant Governor, ROY A. HARRISON. For Secretary of State, WILLIAM D. HAY. For Attorney General, GEORGE D. HARRISON. For Treasurer, J. B. HARRISON. For Auditor, J. B. HARRISON. For Judge of Supreme Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Circuit Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of County Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of District Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Probate Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Municipal Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Juvenile Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Children's Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Family Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Domestic Relations Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Probate Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Municipal Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Juvenile Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Children's Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Family Court, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Judge of Domestic Relations Court, JAMES M. HARRISON.

For Representative in Congress for the Thirteenth Congressional District, MARION E. RHODES.

For Judge of the Circuit Court for the Twenty-first Judicial District, JOHN H. REPPY.

For Representative, WILLIAM H. EVANS. For Judge of the County Court, First District, W. B. COMPTON.

For Judge of the County Court, Second District, NOAH W. TALLEY. For Probate Judge, JAMES M. HARRISON. For Sheriff, LAWRENCE W. CASEY. For County Treasurer, NORMAN F. ROBINSON. For Assessor, JOHN N. COMPTON. For Surveyor, JOHN H. REPPY.

## APART FROM WORLD

DWELLERS IN ARCTIC CIRCLE LEAD SECLUDED LIVES.

Know Nothing of What Transpires Beyond the Narrow Limits of Their Own Territory—Warfare a Thing Undreamed Of.

Battle history tells of the Arctic circle. Beyond that human life is so difficult to sustain that its wildness is unlikable. The fogs and Samoyeds of arctic Russia, like the Eskimos of North America and Greenland, are so often compelled in those of death and famine to survive their aged weakness that the form of death has become a vague religion and a moral principle with them. The armies of the great white north, like those of the kindred peoples, are not recruited in such distant places. Indeed, the men are of such native stature and intellect that a military training is not to be thought of in the days of a great campaign. Russian Weekly observes.

The population of the Russian Arctic in Asia and in Europe, outside the Arctic and sub-arctic circles, contains few elements which are not Slavonic, but in the hands of the Russian people the reputation of arctic dwellers pertains to all the people living in Siberia, which is always portrayed as a land of ice and snow and unhealthy march.

The Siberian battalions, which have won so great a fame in the Russian campaigns, are drawn mainly from territory as near the equator as Great Britain. It is undeniable that their winters are terribly severe, but in the hot summer crops of the utmost value can be sown, ripened and harvested. It is not impossible to lead a robust life in the Siberia of military Russia.

The real natives of the Arctic can endure hunger and fatigue—can march in their own fashion through hurricane and blizzard—but their value is rather to the explorer of the inhospitable North than to the soldier. As hunters they are wonderfully clever, yet they are curiously formal in administering the coup de grace.

They will apologize to the fierce white bear which they have cornered before advancing to a close attack with bone-tipped arrows and spears, a feat in which the odds seem decisively on the bear's destroying the man. They are therefore not cowards in any sense, and new British sportsmen would risk their lives against bear and wolf and walrus protected only by futile weapons and their own personal dexterity.

How does the bear of war to these arctic dwellers? Most casually and slowly, without a doubt. There are colonies in the frozen North which have not yet heard of the Russo-Japanese war, and certainly have no knowledge of the present war.

They are free from national duties and taxation, and their intercourse, even with fur traders of blood alien to their own, is meager indeed. There are dialects spoken by these tribes which have never been interpreted and never reduced to writing, and their ideas of the great world outside the tundras and steppes are very crude. A generation may pass before the story of the grand duke's great campaign filters north, and even then it will be incomprehensible to persons to whom a crowd of even a hundred human beings would be a marvel. Now and again a stray whaler or exploring ship comes within sight of the shore camps, and a little barter by means of signs is carried on, but the inland dwellers have not even this communication with the outside world.

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